

**Welcome to May Memorial Baptist Church!**

May Memorial is a wonderful church family that provides opportunities for people of all ages to nurture their faith and pursue their faith story through worship, Sunday School, youth (6th through 12th grade) and children's (infants through 5th grade) programs, adult choir, mission groups, and Bible study.

The Sunday worship schedule and weekly events are printed in the bulletin. If this is your first visit or you are a returning guest, we welcome you!

Restrooms are located through the doors beside the organ. Once in the hall, go down the steps to the right and the bathrooms will be directly in front of you. A water fountain is available in the hallway behind the sanctuary. Ushers are nearby to provide any assistance or information you may need. The pastor would like to meet you following the service. He will be at the door in the Narthex.

At May Memorial, we welcome children of all ages to worship with their families. We do provide a nursery for infants through the age of two. The nursery is located behind the sanctuary and to your left at the very end of the hall. We also have volunteers available in the classroom directly behind the sanctuary for children who are three and older but not yet in kindergarten. During the Doxology, all children are invited to exit the sanctuary with the Children's Minister. At that time, Extended Session (3 years - Kindergarten) and Children's Church (1st - 4th grade) begins. On the first Sunday of each month, there is no Children's Church.

Thank you for choosing to worship with us today. We pray God's blessing on you and your family.

**Welcome to our Guests!**

So that we can get to know you as you get to know us, please complete the following and place it in the offering plate later in worship.

**Connection Card**

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone(s): \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Age Group(s): \_\_13-18 \_\_19-25 \_\_26-35 \_\_36-45 \_\_46-55 \_\_56-65 \_\_65+

**This Week at May Memorial**

**Sunday, February 23**  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Worship  
5:30 p.m. Youth Soul Food

**Tuesday, February 25**  
10:00 a.m. COPC 10-2

**Wednesday, February 26**  
10:00 a.m. COPC 10-2  
4:00 p.m. Kingdom Kids  
7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Worship

**Friday, February 28**  
10:00 a.m. COPC 10-2

**Saturday, February 29**  
6:00 p.m. Family Game Night

**Join your May Memorial Family for an Ash Wednesday Service** this Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary.

**Pray for each other during Lent** – If you would like to be a part of this effort, please write your name on a blue prayer card. The cards are at the end of each pew. We will collect these, and then redistribute to give you a person to pray for.

**Soul Searching for Lent**  
Beginning Wednesday, March 4, we will be looking closely at Matthew 26-27 and considering those poignant encounters Jesus experienced during the last days before the crucifixion. These stories will lead us to search our souls during the Lenten Season. Join us on Wednesday nights at 6:30 (following the meal) for a wonderful time of learning and formation.

**Wednesday Night Meals** will resume on March 4 with “Stan Cakes” from The Pancake Guy. Then on March 11 we will have Karl’s Beef Stew which benefits the Youth. March 18 will be a Hot Dog bar sponsored by the Youth.

**Family Game Night!** - Saturday February 29 from 6-7:30 for ALL AGES! A fun time for families to gather and play games with young and old. A \$5 donation is suggested to cover pizza and snacks.

**MMBC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS** - Applications for the MMBC scholarships for the 2020-21 school year are available in the church office. Completed applications with required attachments should be returned to the church office no later than March 31, 2020 for consideration by the scholarship team. Previous scholarship recipients do not need to include attachments but should update the application form. If you have questions, please contact Jackie Lindsey, team leader, at prlindsey1@verizon.net or 804-598-3038. Donations to this fund are welcomed at any time as it is entirely supported through donations.

Ashley Edwards, Youth/Children’s Minister  
Joan Maples, Minister of Music  
Mary Ellen Balarzs, Organist  
Michael Edwards, Pastor (804) 922-0101  
Church Office (804) 598-3098  
Website: maymemorialchurch.org

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February 23, 2020

“AND HE WAS TRANSFIGURED BEFORE THEM, HIS  
FACE SHONE LIKE THE SUN.”  
MATTHEW 17:2

*This is the House of God, All Are Welcome!*

<i><b>The Community Gathers for Worship</b></i>	
Welcome	Michael Edwards
Prelude	Afro-American Spirituals
<i><b>Two Spirituals – Want To Be A Christian and Holy Ground</b></i>	
* Call to Worship	Graham Bilthuis
Come, listen to the One <b>who speaks and summons the earth, from the rising of the sun to its setting.</b>	
Come, see the One <b>who shines forth in the perfection of beauty.</b>	
Come, bring thanksgiving, the gift that honors the One <b>who shows the salvation of God.</b>	
* Hymn of Praise No. 6	ST. DENIO
<i><b>Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise</b></i>	Welsh Hymn Tune
* Invocation	Michael Edwards

<i><b>The Community Proclaims and Hears God’s Word</b></i>	
Three Cents a Meal Offering	Ashley Edwards
Children are invited to move to the front of the sanctuary as all sing <i><b>Jesus Loves the Little Children.</b></i> After the <i>Doxology</i> , children ages 3 through Kindergarten who remained in worship with their families may exit for Extended Session.	
<i><b>Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world- red, brown, yellow, black, and white, they are precious in his sight! Jesus loves the little children of the world.</b></i>	
Prayers of the People	
Sharing of Prayer Concerns	
Call to Prayer No. 224	HOLY GROUND
<i><b>Holy Ground</b></i>	Geron Davis
Silent Prayer	
Pastoral Prayer	Michael Edwards
The Lord’s Prayer	
* Stewardship Hymn	GERMANY
<i><b>Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life</b></i>	Gardiner’s Sacred Melodies, 1815

**Choir**  
***Where cross the crowded ways of life, where sound the cries of clan & race,  
above the noise of selfish strife, O Christ, we hear your voice of grace.***

<b>All</b> <i><b>In haunts of wretchedness &amp; need, on shadowed, thresholds fraught with fears, from paths where hide the lures of greed, we catch the vision of your tears.</b></i>	
<b>Women</b> <i><b>From tender childhood’s helplessness, from human grief &amp; burdened toil, from famished souls, from sorrow’s stress, your heart has never known recoil.</b></i>	
<b>All</b> <i><b>The cup of water given for you still holds the freshness of your grace; yet long these multitudes to view the strong compassion in your face.</b></i>	
<b>Men</b> <i><b>O Savior, from the mountainside, make haste to heal these hearts of pain; among these restless throngs abide; O, tread the city’s streets again.</b></i>	
<b>All</b> <i><b>Till all shall learn compassion’s might, following where your feet have trod; till glorious from your realm of light shall come the city of our God.</b></i>	
Worship in Stewardship	
Offertory Prayer	Constance Deal
Offertory	Scott Richards
<i><b>I Saw the Light</b></i>	Hank Williams
* <i><b>Doxology</b></i> No. 253	Sophie Edwards, violin OLD 100 <sup>TH</sup> (ALTERED)
Old Testament Reading <i><b>Exodus 24:12-18</b></i>	Jason Young
Anthem <i><b>Be Thou My Vision</b></i>	Adult Choir Mary McDonald
Gospel Reading <i><b>Matthew 17:1-9</b></i>	Jason Young
Sermon <i><b>Enough is Enough</b></i>	Michael Edwards
<i><b>The Community Responds to God’s Word</b></i>	
* Hymn of Response No. 34	LEONI
<i><b>The God of Abraham</b></i>	Traditional Hebrew Melody
<i><b>The Community Departs for Ministry</b></i>	
* Announcements for the Week	Michael Edwards
* Benediction	Michael Edwards
* Postlude	
<i><b>Every Time I Feel the Spirit</b></i>	Afro-American Spiritual

\* Please stand as you are able.  
**Sanctuary Flowers**  
*The flowers are placed by Gwen and Gerald Hagen to the Glory of God  
and thanks to our church staff for all their hard work.*

**Announcements:**

**St. Patrick’s Day Dinner and Concert - March 15th.** The special St. Patrick’s meal will begin at 5:00 p.m. and concert at 6:15 p.m. Corned Beef and Cabbage as well as Shepherds Pie and Soda Bread. Cost \$8.00/person, \$25.00/family. Make your reservation, before March 11, by emailing maymem@verizon.net or calling the church office at (804) 598-3098. Promotional materials are available in the Commons Area to help you invite friends and family. You may also sign up below.

**CALLING ALL LEPRECHAUNS AND HAPPY VOLUNTEERS...**  
Our Annual St. Patrick's Day Open House and Dinner is quickly approach-ing. We need some help making this event the best mission to bring our community neighbors to our beautiful church. Please email me at debe-lam1@aol.com or call me at 804-397-5375. Together we can make a dif-ference and show God's Love to each other and our neighbors. Here are the teams:

**DECORATING TEAM** - Meet in the Fellowship Hall on Thursday, March 12 at 10:00 am. We have all of the supplies, we just need willing hands and happy smiles.

**FOOD PREPARATION TEAM** - **Shepherd's Pie** - We need to ask that anyone who is making Shepherd's Pie bring it to the kitchen by 4:00 pm. We are asking some of the volunteers who made a Shepherd's Pie last year to help us out again this year and other members who would like to make a dish for us to serve. Sign up below.  
**Corn Bread** - we need at least 90 servings of corn bread  
**Soda Bread** - we need a volunteer to provide this bread  
**Dessert Assortment** - "pick up" type desserts.

**CLEAN UP TEAM**  
We need volunteers to help with putting our Fellowship Hall back into ser-vice after this event. We plan to meet back at Church on Monday, March 16, 2020 at 10:00am to finish cleaning up if needed.

***St. Patrick’s Day Dinner - Sunday, March 15th***

**5:00 p.m.**

Corned Beef and Cabbage as well as Shepherds Pie and Soda Bread. Specialty desserts. Cost \$8.00/person, \$25.00/family. Make your reserva-tion, before March 11, right here, or by emailing maymem@verizon.net or calling the church office at (804) 598-3098.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ # Adults \_\_\_\_ #Children \_\_\_\_

Names of visitors in your group : \_\_\_\_\_

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***Dish you would like to make and bring:*** \_\_\_\_\_